

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY 24TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

PRESS RELEASE

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Following a homicide investigation conducted by the Fishers Police Department, law enforcement officers arrested Corbin Michael Montgomery on June 23, 2014, and he remains held at the Hamilton County Jail.

Today, the State filed a charge of Murder, a Felony, against Mr. Montgomery. The charge is pending in Hamilton Superior Court II in Noblesville under cause number 29D02-1406-MR-004695. An initial hearing is set for 1:15 p.m. on June 24th.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Further inquiries about the litigation may be directed to Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Andre Miksha. Due to the likelihood of inquiries, the State provides this release and copy of the charging information and probable cause affidavit for your reference.

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IN THE HAMHTON CIRCUIT/SUPERIOR COURTS

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INFORMATION FOR:

Count 1:

VS.

CORBIN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY 14373 WATERWAY BLVD FISHERS, IN 46040

OLN: 3570182051 Indiana

DOB: 8/8/1995

SSN: XXX-XX-5996

Murder I.C. 35-42-1-1(1) a Felony

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Race: W Sex: Male

Height: 5'09" Weight: 135 Eyes: Brown Hair: Brown

BE IT REMEMBERED,

That on this day comes David Flynn, who being duly sworn upon his oath, says that in the County of Hamilton, State of Indiana,

Count 1: on or about June 22, 2014 Corbin Michael Montgomery did knowingly or intentionally kill another human being, to-wit: Connor James Shockley, by striking him with a knife

All of which is contrary to the form of the statute of such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

I affirm, under penalty of perjury as specified by IC 35-44.1-2-1, that the foregoing representations are true.

Approved by me this 24th day of June 2014

Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY _____ COURT STATE OF INDIANA

STATE OF INDIANA		2014-024097
VS.		
Corbin Michael Montgomery		
14373 Waterway Blvd	CAUSE NUMBER:	
Fortville, IN 46040		

AFFIDAVIT FOR PROBABLE CAUSE

Comes now, David Flynn, who hereby swears upon his oath, deposes and says:

I am a Detective Sergeant with the Fishers Police Department

I am filing this affidavit in support of the following charges against Corbin Michael Montgomery, DOB: 08/08/1995, a white male, 5'9", 135lbs, with brown hair and brown eyes:

Murder (IC 32-42-1-1), a Felony, one count

On 6/22/2014 at approximately 10:56 P.M. Fishers Police Department Officers were dispatched to the Harrison Green neighborhood for a fight that resulted in a victim with a chest wound. Upon arrival, Officers located victim Connor Shockley (18 years old) lying in the yard area between 8955 Wooster Court and 8957 Wooster Court both in Fishers. Shockley was pronounced deceased a short time later from suspected stab wounds to the chest area. Pictures and forensic evidence including blood samples and clothing were collected from the scene.

Witness Roberta DeSabatine heard arguing outside her residence and had observed multiple people moving in and out of a residence located behind her home. DeSabatine went outside and observed Shockley lying on the ground with blood on his shirt. This all took place shortly before she called 911. Multiple other individuals also called 911 to report this incident.

Several witnesses were located in the area as Officers arrived. Detective Dave Finn interviewed witness Wesley Jackson who lives in the Waterton Place, where DeSabatine had seen multiple people during the evening. Jackson confirmed that Connor was at his residence this evening and had gone outside to meet with Corbin and his girlfriend Katie who were parked near his home. Jackson advised there was a brief argument that took place outside and he asked them to leave his residence at which time they all drove away together in Corbin's vehicle (a black Honda Civic 2-door). Approximately 15-30 minutes later Jackson heard yelling voices coming from the house behind his. Jackson went outside and observed an altercation between Connor and Corbin in the nearby yard. As Jackson approached he observed Connor lying on the ground face down, grabbing his chest. He observed Corbin and Katie return to the black Honda and leave the area. Other witness accounts were substantially similar to that provided by Jackson.

A short time later as Officers were securing the scene, Corbin Montgomery was located returning to the scene and taken into custody. He was later transported to the Fishers Police Department where I, Sergeant David Flynn, conducted an interview. During this interview, Corbin advised that he and Connor have been feuding via text message, Twitter, and FaceTime for the last three days primarily about Corbin's girlfriend Katie. On the evening of 6/22/14 Corbin and Katie went to Jackson's residence where they met with Connor at Corbin's vehicle streetside. Corbin advised that Connor was "cool" (i.e. not hostile) with him when he approached the car and Connor told him that he was not trying to get with Katie. Corbin stated Connor could get into his car. He stated they were just talking when Connor asked to use his phone because Connor did not have his with him. Connor used Corbin's phone to text his friend and then pulled out his own phone. During their exchange in the vehicle, Connor asked Corbin to pull his vehicle around the corner to a nearby cul-da-sac which he did.

As they continued to talk Connor quickly got out of the car and ran off with Corbin's phone. Corbin stated he got his knife from his vehicle compartment and ran after him. Corbin stated he chased him down, Connor punched Corbin in the face, then Corbin stabbed him multiple times. Katie retrieved Corbin's phone from Connor and they left the area in Corbin's vehicle. Corbin then called his father then decided to return to the scene where he was taken into custody. I asked Corbin where the knife he used to stab Connor with was located. He stated that it was probably in his vehicle. He described the knife as a folding knife, "camo" in color, with a 4"-5" blade. He stated that it was a knife he uses for protection and that he usually keeps it in his car, in his glove department. He later advised that he purchased this knife only about a week ago. A search warrant was later served on Corbin's vehicle where the knife he used to stab Connor was located. Blood was also located in multiple locations within the car.

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Corbin confirmed that he was yelling at Connor to give him his phone back while chasing after him. He stated that he was right behind him as they ran from the car. He confirmed that they ran through the yards and ended up in a side yard between a couple of houses. As Corbin caught up with Connor, Connor threw a punch landing it on Corbin's face. Corbin then demonstrated and confirmed that he then stabbed Connor. He stated this was self-defense. I observed a small mark on Corbin's nose and a small abrasion on his right hand. He stated he is not sure precisely how the abrasion was inflicted. He stated that Connor did hit him multiple times after Corbin stabbed Conner but then Conner slowly stopped hitting him.

I asked Corbin about getting the knife from his vehicle before running after Connor. He stated that after Connor ran, he opened his center vehicle console, removed his knife, flipped it open, and chased after Connor. He stated he hit Conner three times in the chest area or maybe a leg. Corbin estimated this event took about fifteen seconds and advised it was dark where this took place. Corbin stated he couldn't see much. Corbin advised that Connor fell to the ground as he was running after him and that is part of the reason he caught up with him. Corbin confirmed that, after Connor fell, Connor got back up and, then punched Corbin in the face. Connor fell again after he hit him with the knife.

After Connor fell the second time Corbin left the fight scene after seeing Connor's friends running up. Corbin didn't think that Connor's friends were coming after him, but just running up because they were surprised about what was going on. Corbin did not consider the group of friends a threat.

I then explained to Corbin that I had concern about him saying that his actions were self-defense. I told him that I thought his reaction to Connor also involved Katie, and the arguing they had been doing over the last few days via text and through the social media for everyone to see.

As we spoke about this situation Corbin stated that when he and Connor were "cool" in the car, all his "steam and anger" went away. I explained that when Connor took his phone I think all that steam and anger returned, and Corbin stated he agreed. I told Corbin that because of all that steam and anger that returned he grabbed the knife and ran after Connor instead of doing something else. I told Corbin that it was because of the trash talk, phone, disrespect, wanting to show him he couldn't be pushed around or made to look like a punk that he used the knife. I asked Corbin if he agreed, and he responded "yeah...sort of...yeah". I told Corbin that I think everything came to a head tonight and he had an opportunity to get a little payback. I explained that Corbin chose to get his knife, pursue Connor, and use the knife. I asked Corbin if he agreed and he stated that he did.

On 6/23/2014 at approximately 2:00 P.M. an autopsy was performed on Connor which revealed three stab wounds to the torso area including one in the middle of the chest that reached the heart, multiple superficial cuts to the neck, and what appeared to be defensive wounds on his hands.

These incidents occurred in Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana.

I swear under the penalties of perjury as specified by IND. Code § 35-44.1-2-1, that the foregoing representations are true.

Dated this 24th day of June 2014,

Det. Sgt. David Flynn

Fishers Police Department